IN THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A security mechanism for a covered access opening comprising:

a cable lock assembly comprising:

a cable lock body defining a passage sized to receive a cable;

said cable including a first end sized to fit through said cable lock body and including a second end having an abutment;

a mechanism in said cable lock body engageable with said cable to permit movement through said passage in the direction in which it entered said passage and preventing movement of said cable in the opposite direction;

a housing defining a bore to receive the cable lock body;

said cable lock body ~~being secured to~~ affixed to said housing within said bore; and

said housing including a base adapted to be permanently affixed to a structure to be secured.

2. (currently amended) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 1 wherein ~~said housing defines a passage to receive said cable lock body and~~ said cable lock body is permanently affixed [[to]] within said bore of said housing by ~~welding~~ weld connected between said bore and said cable lock body.

3. (currently amended) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 1 wherein ~~said housing defines a passage to receive said cable lock body and~~ said cable lock body is ~~permanently~~ affixed within said bore of said housing ~~to said cable lock body~~ by an adhesive connected between said bore and said cable lock body.

4. (currently amended) ~~A security mechanism as claimed in claim 1~~ A security mechanism for a covered access opening comprising:

a cable lock assembly comprising:

a cable lock body defining a passage sized to receive a cable;

said cable including a first end sized to fit through said cable lock body and including a second end having an abutment;

a mechanism in said cable lock body engageable with said cable to permit movement through said passage in the direction in which it entered said passage and preventing movement of said cable in the opposite direction;

a housing;

said cable lock body being secured to said housing;

said housing including a base adapted to be permanently affixed to a structure to be secured; and

wherein said housing further includes at least one leg that extends from said base and wherein said base is adapted to be permanently affixed to a structure to be secured through said at least one leg of said housing.

5. (previously presented) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 1 wherein said mechanism in said cable lock body comprises a spring and a ball, said spring and ball being arranged to releasably urge said ball against said cable to prevent movement of said cable in said opposite direction.

6. (currently amended) A security mechanism for a covered access opening comprising:

a covered access structure comprising:

a first member defining an access opening;

a second member adapted to cover said access opening defined by said first member;

a hasp having at least one component positioned on said first and at least one other component positioned on said second member;

a cable lock assembly comprising;

a cable lock body defining a passage sized to receive a cable;

said cable including a first end sized to fit through said cable lock body and including a second end having an abutment;

a mechanism in said cable lock body engageable with said cable to permit movement through said passage in the direction in which it entered said passage and preventing movement of said cable in the opposite direction;

a housing separate from said first member and second member defining a bore to receive the cable lock body;

said cable lock body ~~being secured to~~ affixed to said housing within said bore; and

wherein said housing is permanently affixed to one of said first and second members.

7. (currently amended) ~~A security mechanism as claimed in claim 6~~ A security mechanism for a covered access opening comprising:

a covered access structure comprising:

a first member defining an access opening;

a second member adapted to cover said access opening defined by said first member;

a hasp having at least one component positioned on said first and at least one other component positioned on said second member;

a cable lock assembly comprising;

a cable lock body defining a passage sized to receive a cable;

said cable including a first end sized to fit through said cable lock body and including a second end having an abutment;

a mechanism in said cable lock body engageable with said cable to permit movement through said passage in the direction in which it entered said passage and preventing movement of said cable in the opposite direction;

a housing;

said cable lock body being secured to said housing;

wherein said housing is permanently affixed to one of said first and second members; and

wherein said cable lock body is permanently affixed to said housing by welding.

8. (currently amended) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 6 wherein said cable lock body is permanently affixed [[to]] in said bore in said housing by an adhesive.

9. (currently amended) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 6 wherein said housing further includes a base adapted to be permanently affixed to one or the other of said first and second members, and at least one leg that extends from said base and wherein said base is permanently affixed to said one of said first and second members through said at least one leg of said housing.

10. (previously presented) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 6 wherein said mechanism in said cable lock includes a spring and a ball, said spring and ball being arranged to releasably urge said ball against said cable to prevent movement of said cable in said opposite direction.

11. (previously presented) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 7 wherein said housing is secured to one of said first and second members by welding.

12. (previously presented) A security mechanism as claimed in claim 8 wherein said housing is secured to one of said first and second members by an adhesive.

13. (new) A security mechanism for a covered access opening as claimed in claim 1 wherein said cable lock body is affixed within said bore in said housing by an interference fit between said bore and said cable lock body.